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MASS TIMES

Monday 10.30am Rosary Our Lady of the Way

Tuesday 9.30am Mass St Paul of the Cross

Tuesday 11.30am Rosary and Mass 12pm Nativity

Wednesday 9.30am Mass St Paul of the Cross

Wednesday 7.00pm Mass Our Lady of the Way
and Exposition and Adoration 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Thursday 9.15am Mass Nativity

Friday 9.30am Mass and Reconciliation 10am -
10.30 am St Paul of the Cross

Friday Exposition and Adoration 11am - 12pm
and 12.00 p.m. Mass Nativity

Saturday 11am Rosary at Nativity

Saturday 5.15pm - 5.45 pm Reconciliation at
Nativity and

Saturday Vigil 6pm Mass at Nativity

Sunday 7.30am Mass St Paul of the Cross

Sunday 9.00am Mass Our Lady of the Way

Sunday 11am Mass Nativity

VESPERS

As advertised.

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

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Holy Family Catholic Parish

Southern Hills

Integrating the Catholic Communities of Aberfoyle Park and Blackwood in the
Archdiocese of Adelaide

VISION STATEMENT

*We strive to be a welcoming, growing and vibrant Catholic Community that
embraces the diversity of people and culture through our love of God.*

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



REFLECTION

In Luke's gospel, the baptism of Jesus marks the end of the ministry of John the Baptist and the beginning of a new era, that of the saving ministry of Jesus. This feast, which occurs early in the new year, is a good time for us to resolve to begin a new era in our own lives. Putting the past behind us, let us commit ourselves to making a fresh start in our service and love of our brothers and sisters.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: this is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.



Church of the Nativity
26 Sunnymead Drive
Aberfoyle Park

St Paul of the Cross
cnr Simla & Coromandel Pde
Blackwood

Our Lady of the Way
4-6 Laffers Road
Glenalta

*We acknowledge the Kurna people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which
we gather today, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.*

JANUARY 2025

TUESDAY 21st PARISH WALKING GROUP

Our first walk for 2025 will be on Tuesday 21 January at Somerton Park at 9.30am for a walk along the Esplanade towards Glenelg. Turn off Repton Road at Jack Fox Drive (which is also the entrance to the Dunes Apartments) towards the Minda INC Café and park behind the café or in the general carpark. There will be a historical and environmental background intro & a short and long walk. Or just join us for coffee at 10.45am. The breeze off the sea will cool the temperature. We welcome everyone and provide a suitable walk for all. Bob 0412 310 947

FEBRUARY 2025

SATURDAY 8th LOVE ADELAIDE WALK FOR LIFE

Join us as we walk for life to bring an end to abortion. Love the next generation 10am—12noon Pennington Gardens opposite St. Peter's Cathedral, North Adelaide. \$5 donation Parking Adelaide Oval, enter from Pennington Tce. Free tickets via trybooking.com/CVHLE. Gates open 9am. Please wear a White shirt. For more details see notice board in foyer.

PARISH NEWS

OFFICE HOURS ABERFOYLE PARK

Bianca Cotton is on leave until the 21st of January. The office will be open as usual from the 7th January.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

Free copies are available for parishioners. There is a special article on the 50th Anniversary celebration of Our Lady of the Way Church and knitting group.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR CHURCHES

Our Parish is grateful for your financial support. This QR code works with any smartphone, safely linking you to the Holy Family Catholic Parish on the Giving page of the Adelaide Archdiocese website. You can then select and make a one-off contribution or set up a regular amount which we can then acknowledge as part of the Parish's Planned Giving program. You can also contribute to the first collection and special appeals using the app. For further details of our program or using the QR code, contact the Parish office or email either bwoodpar@gmail.com or pfc@nativityparish.com.au. Alternatively, you may call 0407613749.



Please forward all Parish Bulletin requests by Wednesday 5pm to parishpriest@nativityparish.com.au

All the notices to go in our bulletin are sent to the Parish Priest for approval who in turn forwards them to the editors for publication.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025

Pilgrims of Hope

2025 Jubilee Year of Hope

A Call to Hope and Renewal

The 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope' is now underway. The Jubilee Year began with the opening of the Holy Door by Pope Francis in St Peter's Basilica in Rome, on **Tuesday 24 December 2024** and runs to the **Feast of Epiphany 2026**. Archbishop Patrick celebrated the opening at **St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Adelaide at Midnight Mass on December 31st, 2024**.

As the Universal Church celebrates the Jubilee Year 2025 (the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord), Holy Family Catholic Parish is thrilled to support the Holy Father in this "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church."

Pope Francis stated in his February 2022 letter announcing the Jubilee 2025: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire..."

What is a Jubilee Year of Hope?

The 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope, is a time for renewal, reflection, and spiritual growth. It gives us a chance to rediscover God's love, reconcile with others, and contribute to building a more just and merciful world. Through indulgences, pilgrimages, and acts of charity, the Jubilee invites us to grow spiritually and embrace our roles as peacemakers and witnesses to Christ's love.

What Is a Jubilee?

The concept of a Jubilee originates in the Bible (Leviticus 25:10), where every 50th year was set aside as a time of restoration, freedom, and renewal for the people of Israel. During this sacred time, debts were forgiven, slaves were freed, and the land was allowed to rest.

The Catholic Church has adopted this tradition, proclaiming Jubilee Years periodically as opportunities for spiritual renewal and reconciliation. A Jubilee is a time to reflect on God's mercy and generosity, inviting believers to deepen their faith and strengthen their commitment to justice, peace, and love.

Jubilee Years also serve as reminders of the Church's mission to heal divisions, restore relationships, and embrace hope. The 2025 Jubilee Year theme, *Spes Non Confundit (Hope Does Not Disappoint)*, calls us to anchor our lives in the steadfast hope that comes from God.

Calendar of the Jubilee Year

The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, there are three pilgrimage sites in our Archdiocese designated as special places of prayer for Holy Year pilgrims, offering opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences and other events intended to strengthen and revive faith.

Calendar for 24-26 January 2025

Jubilee of the World of Communications

The Jubilee of the World of Communications takes place January 24-26, with the Pope celebrating the Mass on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, the Sunday of the Word of God.

The Jubilee of the World of Communications is an event that honors those who share stories and connect people, such as journalists, broadcasters, and filmmakers. It's part of a series of events that take place during the Jubilee Year, a special time in the Catholic Church that's also known as a "holy year".

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
 may the *faith* you have given us
 in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
 and the flame of *charity* enkindled
 in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
 reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
 for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
 into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
 May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the
 whole cosmos
 in the sure expectation
 of a new heaven and a new earth,
 when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
 your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
 reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
 a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
 May that same grace spread
 the joy and peace of our Redeemer
 throughout the earth.
 To you our God, eternally blessed,
 be glory and praise for ever.
 Amen

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 LOGO

THE JUBILEE LOGO

The cross of Christ is the hope that cannot ever be abandoned because we are always in need of it, especially in the most difficult moments.

The Cross, in the shape of a sail, is transformed into an anchor that imposes itself over the waves in motion. A universal symbol of Hope.

The figures represent humanity from the four corners of the World. They are embracing each other to illustrate the solidarity between the peoples, as the first holds onto the cross.

The rough sea is a reminder of the difficulties of the pilgrimage of life. Often, personal events as well as those of the world, press on us more intensely, demanding a greater hope.

The logo shows how the way of the pilgrimage is not an individual effort, but rather collective, with the impression of a growing dynamism that tends more and more to the cross.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

Sick: Fr George Nader, Ted Galkowski, Trevor Boote, Monique Crabb, David Graetz, Siegfried Encarnada, Marisa Bezzina, Lesley Souter, Trevor Kuerschner, Roger Matthews, Leonata Griffiths, Magdalena, Debra Dillon, Wendy Walter, Cecilia Quinn, Jonathan Reading Moore, Krystina Lekstan, Lisa Marie de Silva, John Quirk, Gail Dante

Recently deceased: Lorenzo Hogan (baby grandson of Maureen), Serena (DIL of Brenda Parkinson)

Anniversary: Diana Ling, George Betros, Adamo Chiappini, Chow Kheng, Lus Inaldo, Stefan, Nina, Mary Percy, Mardelena, Nushi, Mei Koh, Magdalene Lau, George and Helena Cartwright, Joan Forster, Julie Walker, Bridie Cogman

Please contact either parish office to have names added to or removed from the prayer



Parish Weekend Roster

19th January 2025

	SUN 7:30am SPC	SUN 9:00am OLW
SACRISTAN	Vicki Davey	Annette Harrison
WELCOMERS	Jill Tierney	Maria Froschio
	Peter Donovan	Julie Langman
COMMENTATOR	Terry Tierney	Jenny Horne
READERS	Kay Conlon	Peter Smailes
		Pauline Webster
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS		Mary Ann Koh
		Louise Sortino
MUSIC	Guy Palmer-Brown	Loreen Tomas
CANTOR	Bob McEvoy	
FLOWERS		
	SAT 6:00pm NAT	SUN 11:00am NAT
GATES/SACRISTAN	John Gallagher	Paul Mensforth
WELCOMERS	Nadia Procter	Margaret Pfeiffer
	Michelle Lamb	Maria Robertson
COMMENTATOR	Asmitha Devanand	Mary Procter
READERS	Bev Cusack	Rene Pols
	Brian Schumacher	Rochelle D'Souza
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Peter Hammer	Kim Lawless Sue Lawless
CHILDREN'S LITURGY		Steven Carnel
MUSIC	Computer	Computer
SUPPER		
FLOWERS		
CLEANERS		Rene and Vee Pols

FIRST READING (Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

“Console my people, console them” says your God. “Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for her crimes.”

A voice cries, “Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, “Here is your God.”

Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

1. Lord God, how great you are, clothed in majesty and glory, wrapped in light as in a robe! You stretch out the heavens like a tent. (R.)
2. Above the rains you build your dwelling. You make the clouds your chariot, you walk on the wings of the wind, you make the winds your messengers and flashing fire your servants. (R.)
3. How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all. The earth is full of your riches. There is the sea, vast and wide, with its moving swarms past counting, living things great and small. (R.)
4. All of these look to you to give them their food in due season. You give it, they gather it up: you open your hand, they have their fill. (R.)
5. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)

SECOND READING (Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Titus

God’s grace has been revealed and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to

God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all’ “I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”

Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next week’s readings - 19 January 2025

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading	Isaiah 62: 1-5
Responsorial Ps	Psalms 95: 1-3, 7-10
Second Reading	Corinthians 12: 4-11
Gospel Acclam	Thess 2: 14
Gospel	John 2: 1-11



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